



TOWN OF VERNON

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ENERGY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

14 Park Place, 3rd Floor Town Hall
November 28, 2016 - 6:30 PM

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** A meeting of the Energy Improvement District Board was called to order by Chairman Jeff Boulrice at 6:40 pm. **Members also present:** Tom Aitkin and Jason Ellis. **Members absent:** Elizabeth Landry and Elmar Alikhanov. **Staff present:** Steve Boske, Assistant Director WPCA, and recording Secretary Leslie Campolongo.

2. PRESENTATIONS

- Energy Efficiency Programs – Mr. Christopher Lotspeich and Mr. Walt Donzila of Celtic Energy made a presentation to the Board regarding **"Microgrid and Energy Savings Performance Contracting."** A question and answer session took place and the presentation concluded at 7:30 pm.

Discussion took place regarding benchmarking, the creation of an energy savings strategic plan and energy saving performance contracting.

3. PENDING BUSINESS

- **September 26, 2016 Minutes** - Motion made by Mr. Ellis and seconded by Mr. Aitkin to approve the minutes of September 26, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- **Solarize Connecticut 2017** – Mr. Boulrice provided an update on the next round of Solarize Connecticut. Discussion took place regarding obligations the town might incur, potential minimum requirements of enrollment and any penalties of the program. Discussion took place.

Mr. Ellis proposed the following motion: *"To recommend to the Mayor, the town's participation in the Solarize Connecticut 2017 Round 8."* Mr. Boulrice seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Boulrice will follow up with Town Administrator Ward.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- **Energize CT Outreach Campaigns to residents** – Item was tabled and no discussion took place. Mr. Boulrice requested that this item be placed on the next agenda.
- **PROPOSED FOIA Meeting Dates:**
1/23/2017, 3/27/2017, 5/22/2017, 7/24/2017, 9/25/2017, 11/27/2017, 1/22/2018
6:30 PM, Town Hall, Third Floor, 14 Park Place, Vernon.

Mr. Boulrice motioned to accept the 2017 meeting dates of the EIBD as presented. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Mrs. Campolongo will provide these dates to the Town Clerk's office.

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Letter dated September 19, 2016 from Connecticut Green Bank, regarding Clean Energy Communities.
- Mr. Boulrice also provided information to the EIDB regarding **Sustainable Connecticut**, a voluntary, sustainable community partnership of municipal leaders, philanthropic foundations, the Institute for Sustainable Energy, and other stakeholders.
- Mr. Boulrice mentioned that the Vernon Housing Authority presented a PILOT payment to the Town Council at their last meeting. The payment was made possible by energy improvements. Discussion took place. Mr. Boulrice will make contact with Mr. Arn of the Vernon Housing Authority to congratulate the Authority on this effort.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mr. Boulrice, and seconded by Mr. Ellis. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie S. Campolongo
Recording Secretary